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Re: **Ex Parte Notice** -- CSR-5865-Z; MB Docket No. 03-82; IB Docket No. 98-21

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, DIRECTV, Inc. ("DIRECTV") submits this letter to report that on Wednesday, June 4, 2003, Stephanie Campbell of DIRECTV, James Barker of Latham & Watkins and the undersigned met with William H. Johnson, Eloise Gore, and Mary Beth Murphy of the Media Bureau; and Rosalee Chiara of the International Bureau. In subsequent meetings, Ms. Campbell and Mr. Barker also met with Jennifer Manner and Stacy Robinson of the Office of Commissioner Abernathy, and Johanna Mikes of the Office of Commissioner Adelstein.

At the Bureau meeting, DIRECTV reiterated the positions in its April 24, 2003 Opposition (as supplemented) to the Petition for Administrative Sanctions filed by the State of Hawaii. DIRECTV stated that although it views its current Hawaii service and program packages as reasonably comparable to the service and programming offered to mainland subscribers given technical and economic feasibility issues, DIRECTV nonetheless outlined various measures it has taken and intends to take to address Hawaii's concerns and to improve service to Hawaii even further. DIRECTV intends to detail these measures in a substantive *ex parte* to be filed shortly, but most significantly, DIRECTV committed to provide 22 additional programming channels to its Hawaii service offering upon the successful launch and positioning of the DIRECTV 7S satellite, scheduled for the end of this year.

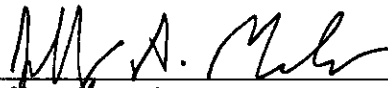
In the meetings with Ms. Manner, Ms. Robinson and Ms. Mikes, DIRECTV also discussed the status of its Hawaii service, and in addition, reiterated its position that EchoStar's 2-dish program, as implemented, constitutes a clear violation of Section 338 of the Communications Act.

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An original and one copy of this *ex parte* notice is being filed with the Commission. If you have any questions concerning this notice, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey A. Marks", is written over a horizontal line.

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